

OPINION 1752

Zanclea costata Gegenbaur, 1856 (Cnidaria, Hydrozoa): generic and specific names conserved

Ruling

(1) Under the plenary powers the following names are hereby suppressed for the purposes of the Principle of Priority but not for those of the Principle of Homonymy:

(a) the generic names:

(i) *Acrochordium* Meyen, 1834;

(ii) *Mnestra* Krohn, 1853;

(b) the specific name *parasites* Krohn, 1853, as published in the binomen *Mnestra parasites*.

(2) The name *Zanclea* Gegenbaur, 1856 (gender: feminine), type species by monotypy *Zanclea costata* Gegenbaur, 1856, is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology.

(3) The name *costata* Gegenbaur, 1856, as published in the binomen *Zanclea costata* (specific name of the type species of *Zanclea* Gegenbaur, 1856), is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology.

(4) The following names are hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Generic Names in Zoology:

(a) *Acrochordium* Meyen, 1834 as suppressed in (1)(a)(i) above;

(b) *Mnestra* Krohn, 1853 as suppressed in (1)(a)(ii) above.

(5) The name *parasites* Krohn, 1853, as published in the binomen *Mnestra parasites* and as suppressed in (1)(b) above, is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Specific Names in Zoology.

History of Case 2806

An application for the conservation of the generic and specific names of *Zanclea costata* Gegenbaur, 1856 was received from Dr Dale R. Calder (*Royal Ontario Museum and University of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario, Canada*) on 18 January 1991. After correspondence the case was published in BZN 49: 184–186 (September 1992). Notice of the case was sent to appropriate journals.

A comment in support from Dr B.P. Haldar (*Zoological Survey of India, Calcutta, India*) was published in BZN 50: 140 (June 1993).

Decision of the Commission

On 1 September 1993 the members of the Commission were invited to vote on the proposals published in BZN 49: 185. At the close of the voting period on 1 December 1993 the votes were as follows:

Affirmative votes — 24: Bayer, Bock, Cocks, Cogger, Corliss, Dupuis, Halvorsen, Heppell, Holthuis, Kabata, Kraus, Macpherson, Mahnert, Martins de Souza, Minelli, Nielsen, Nye, Ride, Savage, Schuster, Starobogatov, Štys, Trjapitzin, Willink

Negative votes — 4: Bouchet, Hahn, Lehtinen and Thompson.

No vote was received from Uéno.

Hahn commented that since the synonymy of *Acrochordium* Meyen, 1834 and *Mnestra* Krohn, 1853 with *Zanclea* appeared to be uncertain he would have preferred to give *Zanclea* precedence over the other two names rather than suppress them. Lehtinen commented that as long as the status of all the specific names was unclear suppression of any of the generic names appeared premature.

Original references

The following are the original references to the names placed on Official Lists and Official Indexes by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

Acrochordium Meyen, 1834, *Novorum Actorum Academiae Caesareae Leopoldino-Carolinae Naturae Curiosorum*, 16(Supplement 1): 165.

costata, *Zanclea*, Gegenbaur, 1856, *Zeitschrift für Wissenschaftliche Zoologie*, 8(2): 229.

Mnestra Krohn, 1853, *Archiv für Naturgeschichte*, 19(1): 281.

parasites, *Mnestra*, Krohn, 1853, *Archiv für Naturgeschichte*, 19(1): 281.

Zanclea Gegenbaur, 1856, *Zeitschrift für Wissenschaftliche Zoologie*, 8(2): 229.